

**Town of Northumberland
Town Board Meeting
December 8, 2022**

The Regular Monthly Meeting of the Northumberland Town Board was called to order by Supervisor Willard Peck @ 8:00 AM. Following the salute to the flag, roll call was taken. Those attending included Supervisor Willard Peck; Councilman Paul Bolesh; Councilman John DeLisle; Councilman George Hodgson and Councilwoman Patricia Bryant. Also attending were Clerk Denise Murphy; Town Attorney David Brennan and Building and Zoning Inspector Michael Terry.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

There were no comments from the public.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. Councilman John DeLisle made a motion to approve the minutes of the November 10, 2022 Public Hearing on proposed Local Law #4 of 2022. Councilwoman Patricia Bryant seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carried.
2. Councilwoman Patricia Bryant made a motion to approve minutes of the November 10, 2022 Public Hearing on the proposed 2023 Town Budget. Councilman George Hodgson seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carried.
3. Councilman John DeLisle made a motion to approve minutes of the November 10, 2022 Regular Monthly Meeting. Councilman Paul Bolesh seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carried.

CORRESPONDENCE

1. Dog Control Report for November: Ed Cross submitted his dog report for November 2022. Mr. Cross answered 1 Complaint; issued 1 Warning and had 1 Dog Bite Case.

OLD BUSINESS

1. Local Law #4 of 2022 – A local law amending the Zoning Ordinance of the Town of Northumberland to amend the penalties for violation of the Zoning Ordinance: Attorney David Brennan stated that the Town's current language for Penalty references and/or imprisonment for not more than six (6) months for each offense. By leaving the Penalty at six months, the violator can obtain a court appointed attorney if they qualify. Attorney Brennan stated that he thinks up to fifteen (15) days for each offense is more in line. Supervisor Willard Peck stated that Saratoga County Planning Board did a review of the referred Local Law and approved the amendment to Article XII, Paragraph (D)(1) of the Zoning Ordinance.

Councilwoman Patricia Bryant introduced Resolution #68 of 2022

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RESOLUTION ISSUING A NEGATIVE DECLARATION UNDER SEQRA AND THAT LOCAL LAW NO 4 OF 2022 - A LOCAL LAW AMENDING THE ZONING ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN OF NORTHUMBERLAND TO AMEND THE PENALTIES FOR VIOLATIONS OF THE ZONING ORDINANCE BE ADOPTED

WHEREAS, on October 14, 2022, the Town Board duly noticed and held a Public Hearing on the proposed Local Law on November 10, 2022; and

WHEREAS, the Proposed Local Law was on file for inspection at the Clerk's office prior to the hearing and during the public review process; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board has caused to be prepared a Short Environmental Assessment Form (EAF) pursuant to the mandates of the State Environmental Quality Review Act ("SEQRA") (ECL Article 8 and 6 NYCRR Part 617); and

WHEREAS, the Town Board considered the comments received at the public hearing and has considered and identified the relevant areas of environmental inquiry and taken a hard look at them;

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board hereby authorizes filing of the Negative Declaration according to SEQRA, 6 NYCRR Part 617.

THAT LOCAL LAW NO 4 OF 2022- A LOCAL LAW AMENDING THE ZONING ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN OF NORTHUMBERLAND TO AMEND THE PENALTIES FOR VIOLATIONS OF THE ZONING ORDINANCE BE ADOPTED

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Town Clerk and the Attorney for the Town are hereby directed to take such actions as are necessary to implement this Resolution.

Councilman George Hodgson seconded the introduction of Resolution #68 of 2022.

Supervisor Willard Peck – "Aye"
Councilman Paul Bolesh – "Aye"
Councilman John DeLisle – "Aye"
Councilman George Hodgson – "Aye"
Councilwoman Patricia Bryant – "Aye"

Resolution #68 of 2022 Adopted

2. Establish a date for the End of Year Meeting: It was the consensus of the Town Board Members to hold the End of the Year Meeting on Thursday, December 29, 2022 @ 8:00 AM.

3. Establish a date for the Organizational Meeting: It was the consensus of the Town Board Members to hold the Organizational Meeting on Thursday, January 12, 2023 @ 8:00 AM to be followed by the Regular Monthly Meeting.

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4. Open bids for the purchase of new Pick-Up Trucks: There were no bids. It was the consensus of the Town Board to solicit bids in a few months.

5. Supervisor Willard Peck stated that he has been approached by an internet carrier interested in placing internet services in unserved areas in our Town. Supervisor Peck asked Town Attorney Dave Brennan to review the "Non-Disclosure Agreement" that he signed previously with Spectrum to see if he can provide maps to this internet company which will show where there presently is service.

DESIGNATIONS

1. Approval of Vouchers: Councilman Paul Bolesh introduced Resolution # 69 of 2022

BE IT RESOLVED, the following Vouchers to be paid as presented:

A (General Fund) Vouchers # 312 - # 341 Total: \$ 72,403.44
DA (Highway Fund) Vouchers # 317 - # 332 Total: \$ 55,380.91
SS (Sewer Fund) Voucher # 24 Total: \$ 26.77
TA (Trust & Agency) Voucher 28 – 29: \$19,569.18

Councilwoman Patricia Bryant seconded the introduction of Resolution #69 of 2022

Supervisor Willard Peck – "Aye"
Councilman Paul Bolesh – "Aye"
Councilman John DeLisle – "Aye"
Councilman George Hodgson – "Aye"
Councilwoman Patricia Bryant – "Aye" Resolution # 69 Adopted

Councilman John DeLisle made a motion @ 8:58 AM to adjourn the Regular Monthly Meeting.
Councilwoman Patricia Bryant seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carried.

Respectfully submitted

Denise Murphy